

Assembly Bill No. 1463

CHAPTER 296

An act to add Section 35183.3 to the Education Code, relating to high school graduation.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1463, Smyth. High school graduation: military uniforms.

Existing law prescribes the requirements for a pupil to earn a diploma of graduation from high school, including the completion of a specified course of study and passage of the high school exit examination.

This bill would provide that a pupil who has fulfilled all of the requirements to receive a diploma of graduation from high school pursuant to state law, is otherwise eligible to participate in the high school graduation ceremony, and has completed the basic training for, and is an active member of, a branch of the United States Armed Forces, has the right to wear the dress uniform issued to him or her by that branch while participating in the graduation ceremony for his or her high school.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 35183.3 is added to the Education Code, to read:

35183.3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person shall have the right to wear a dress uniform issued to him or her by a branch of the United States Armed Forces while participating in the graduation ceremony for his or her high school if that person meets both of the following requirements:

(a) He or she has fulfilled all of the requirements of this code for receiving a diploma of graduation from high school, and is otherwise eligible to participate in the graduation ceremony.

(b) He or she has completed basic training for, and is an active member of, a branch of the United States Armed Forces.